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RISK IN MEDICAL TREATMENT DEVICES

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**AMENDMENT ACCOMPANYING REQUEST
FOR CONTINUED EXAMINATION**

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Sir:

Prior to the commencement of continued examination, please amend the above-identified application as follows:

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks begin on page 10 of this paper.